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Mr. Charles L. A. Terreni  
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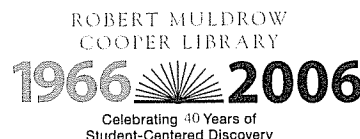
Dear Mr. Terreni:

On behalf of Dr. Gerald Vander Mey, Chair, Clemson University Environmental Committee, I am submitting the enclosed resolution in favor of net metering. Please consider this as the Committee's input in accordance with Docket No. 2005-385-E – Order No. 2006-680 on the consideration of implementing the requirements of Section 1251 (Net Metering and Additional Standards) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

Sincerely,



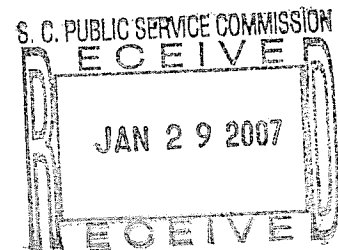
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## **Net Metering**

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Clemson University Environmental Committee to "further an environmental agenda for the Clemson University campus by seeking ways to minimize needless consumption of material and energy, coordinating information, education, and research related to the campus environment, and to establish Clemson University as a national leader in incorporating environmental principles into campus operations and design"; and

WHEREAS, net metering allows for the flow of electricity both to and from the customer through a single, bi-directional meter, and the customer is using the excess generation to offset electricity that would have been purchased at the retail rate; and

WHEREAS, it is becoming increasingly apparent to the scientific community that fossil-fuel based energy is not environmentally sustainable due to its effects on climate change; and

WHEREAS, the practice of net metering provides significant financial incentives to individuals, businesses, and organizations to begin producing their own renewable energy, such as solar, wind, and biofuels; and

WHEREAS, the federal Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act (PURPA) of 1978 encourages both the production of renewable energy and the practice of net metering; and

WHEREAS, the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPACT 2005) requires states to hold public hearings on the practice of net metering; and

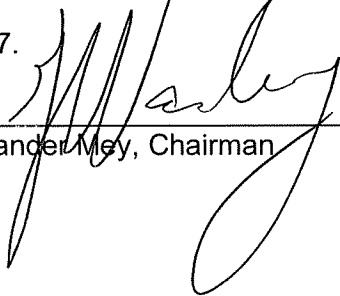
WHEREAS, 40 states and the District of Columbia have already adopted net metering; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Public Service Commission is currently soliciting public input on net metering, which must be received by them no later than Feb. 1, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Clemson University is currently installing photovoltaic cells for the purpose of generating its own renewable energy, and will likely continue such efforts,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Clemson University Environmental Committee strongly supports net metering in South Carolina and communicate this resolution to the PSC before Feb. 1, 2007 and at other forums on renewable energy in the state.

ADOPTED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January 2007.

  
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Gerald Vander Mey, Chairman

*Submitted by Member Steve Johnson*